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THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : I have already stated that there is no Rest-House exclusively for Ministers as such. As I have told the House, the Rest-Houses are classified into two or three categories as I, II and III categories. Perhaps, the Rest-House at Cape Comorin which is referred to comes under class I.

SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN : Am I to understand that in category I bungalows, Ministers alone can stay and others cannot?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : It is not so, Sir. Those who occupy the different bungalows will have to pay the requisite rent.

Recommendations of the Narayanaswamy Pillai Committee on Co-operation

* 10 Q.—SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to lay on the table of the House a list of the recommendations of the Narayanaswamy Pillai Committee on Co-operation with a statement of the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : A copy of the Report of the Narayanaswamy Pillai Committee on Co-operation containing a list of the recommendations has already been supplied to the Members of the Legislature by the Controller of Stationery and Printing, at the instance of the Government.

The recommendations are under examination.

SRI K. BALASUBRAMANYA AYYAR : May I know the reason why this Report which was handed over to the Government in April 1956, with specific recommendations as regards the changes to be made in the Act, is still under consideration and why nothing has been done?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Sir, the recommendations of the Narayanaswamy Pillai Committee extend up to 335 in number and the Report consists of 20 chapters. The Government have been carrying on examination of each one of the chapters and arriving at decisions. Naturally, it takes some time to cover the 335 recommendations.

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : Are the Government aware of the present bottlenecks in the co-operative administration, namely, delay in the registration of societies to which even our Prime Minister made a reference some time ago, delay in drawing loans from Co-operative Banks, etc., and what are the immediate steps that the Government are taking to smoothen and quicken the pace of departmental working?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : So far as delay in registration is concerned, executive instructions will be issued to expedite it and if any specific instance of delay is brought to my notice, I would always find out the cause and see that registration

is expedited. So far as drawing of loans is concerned, it depends on the availability of funds. It is not so easy and, therefore, some delay is likely to occur in that respect.

SRI A. M. ALLAPICHAI : What about delays in other departments?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : The intention of the Government is that wherever there is delay, it should be cut out.

SRI K. BALASUBRAMANYA AYYAR : As the working of Co-operative Societies is very important and useful for various purposes, may I know when the Government are likely to reach decisions on the Narayanswamy Pillai Committee Report and make the amendments to the Act which were proposed by that Committee?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : As soon as the examination of the recommendations is completed, Government will take steps to bring forward the necessary legislation.

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : As I believe that there are several matters in which issue of executive orders would meet the requirements of the situation, would Government consider, pending necessary legislation, if anything could be done by issue of executive instructions to improve matters particularly in the light of the recommendations of the Committee?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : That is being done so far as matters which are of an executive character are concerned. The recommendations have been looked into and in some cases actual instructions have been issued. But the question relates to the larger aspect of amendment of the Co-operative Societies Act in the light of the recommendations of the Narayanaswamy Pillai Committee.

SRI A. GAJAPATHY NAYAGAR : இந்தக் கூட்டுறவு முறைகளைப்பற்றி அரசியலார் எதாவது வெள்ளைத்தாள் விடுவார்களா ?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : நாராயணசாமி பிள்ளை அவர்களுடைய கமிட்டியின் யாதாஸ்து நன்றாகவும் பூரணமாகவும் இருப்பதால், அதற்கு மேல் ஒரு வெள்ளைத்தாள் தேவையில்லை என்று நான் நினைக்கிறேன்.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Questions are over.

[*Note*.—**An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.**]

II.—GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.

DISCUSSION ON THE GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS—*cont.*

* SRI K. M. RAMASAMY GOUNDER : Mr. Chairman, Sir, as a new entrant, I feel I should not dabble in politics too much. But, at the same time, I note with some sort of disappointment the trend of speeches made by some hon. Members.